

August 8, 2016

The Honorable Jay Inslee
Governor of Washington
Olympia, WA 98504-0002

Dear Governor Inslee:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, I extend our congratulations to the State of Washington on its 50th anniversary of becoming an Agreement State. On December 6, 1966, Governor Daniel J. Evans entered into an Agreement with the Atomic Energy Commission to assume regulatory responsibility for certain radioactive materials under Section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Agreement). This made Washington the 15th State to become an "Agreement State," effective December 31, 1966.

We commend the State on its successful efforts throughout the years in regulating the safe use of radioactive materials in Washington, thereby protecting public health and safety, as was committed to in the Agreement. We encourage your continued support of the important services provided by the Agreement State Program.

We wish you continued success in these efforts and look forward to our agencies continuing to work cooperatively in the future. Please extend our congratulations to the staff and management of the Washington State Department of Health for their successful implementation of the Washington Agreement State Program.

Sincerely,

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Stephen G. Burns

cc: David Jansen